

**RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
HEARINGS DIVISION**

OIL & GAS DOCKET NO. 20-0294180

IN RE: P-5 ORGANIZATION REPORT OF LAVACA RIVER OPERATING CO., LLC

FINAL ORDER

The Commission finds that after notice and an opportunity for hearing regarding the captioned matter, the Operator failed to request a hearing and pay the hearing fee as required by 16 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §3.15(g)(4) and TEX. NAT. RES. CODE §89.022(f). This matter having been duly submitted to the Railroad Commission of Texas at conference held in its offices in Austin, Texas, the Commission makes the following findings of fact and conclusions of law.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Lavaca River Operating Co., LLC [Operator #489720] (the "Operator"), is the record operator or one or more inactive wells in the State of Texas and is required to file Organization Report (Form P-5) with the Commission. Operator's most recent P-5 was due on or before July 1, 2014.
2. After filing its most recent Organization Report (Form P-5) with the Commission, the Operator was notified they were deficient and had failed to comply with the requirements of 16 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 3.15 (Surface Equipment Removal Requirements and Inactive Wells) and provided with a written statement of the reasons for the determination and allowed ninety (90) days from the date its P-5 was due to comply with the requirements of 16 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 3.15 and TEX. NAT. RES. CODE §§89.021 - 89.030.
3. After the expiration of ninety (90) days and pursuant to 16 TEX. ADMIN CODE §3.15(g)(4), an authorized Commission employee determined that the Operator's Organization Report still could not be renewed because the Operator continued to fail to comply with the requirements of 16 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §3.15 (Surface Equipment Removal Requirements and Inactive Wells).
4. The Commission sent the Operator a letter by certified mail giving notice to the Operator of the determination of continued non-compliance regarding specified inactive wells, attached as Exhibit A to this order, and advising the Operator of the right to request a hearing to show compliance. The letter notified the Operator that the hearing request must be received in docket services no later than 30 days after the date of the letter. The letter also notified the Operator that a final order denying renewal of the Operator's Organization Report (Form P-5) would result in the cancellation of all P-4 Certificates of Compliance and the severance of all pipeline or other carrier connections.

5. All notices and letters from the Commission to the Operator on this matter were addressed and mailed to the Operator's most recently reported address on the Form P-5 Organization Report.
6. The Operator did not timely request a hearing and pay the hearing fee on these issues as required under 16 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §3.15(g)(4) (Surface Equipment Removal Requirements and Inactive Wells).
7. Statewide Rule 15 (16 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §3.15) is a Commission rule that relates to safety or the prevention or control of pollution.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Operator received proper notice and an opportunity for hearing regarding compliance with 16 Tex. Admin. Code §3.15 and Tex. Nat. Res. Code §§89.021 - 89.030.
2. All things necessary to the Commission attaining jurisdiction over the subject matter and the parties in this matter have been performed or have occurred.
3. The Operator is in violation of Commission Statewide Rule 15 and did not timely request a hearing to contest the determination that it was in violation.
4. The Operator's P-5 Organization Report should not be renewed and all of the Operator's P-4 Certificates of Compliance should be cancelled, with all related pipeline or other carrier connections severed. 16 Tex. Admin. Code §3.15 (g)(4) and Tex. Nat. Res. Code §§89.022(f), 91.704 - 91.706.
5. The Operator's P-5 Organization Report cannot be renewed until the operator brings the inactive wells shown on the attached Exhibit A into compliance with the requirements of 16 Tex. Admin. Code §3.15 and Tex. Nat. Res. Code §§89.021 - 89.030.

IT IS ORDERED that renewal of Lavaca River Operating Co., LLC's P-5 Organization Report is hereby **DENIED**.

It is further ORDERED that all P-4 Certificates of Compliance issued to Lavaca River Operating Co., LLC as operator of record are hereby **CANCELLED** and all related pipeline or other carrier connections are hereby **SEVERED**.

It is further ORDERED that Lavaca River Operating Co., LLC shall bring the wells on Exhibit A into compliance with Statewide Rule 15 (16 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §3.15) and that the Operator's P-5 Organization Report shall not be renewed until the wells on Exhibit A have been brought into compliance as required by this order.

It is further ORDERED that Lavaca River Operating Co., LLC and each person who held a position of ownership or control in the Operator at the time the Operator's most-recent P-5 Organization Report was filed shall be subject to the terms of TEX. NAT. RES. CODE §91.114.

It is further ORDERED by the Commission that this order shall not be final and effective until 20 days after a party is notified of the Commission's order. A party is presumed to have been notified of the Commission's order three days after the date on which the notice is actually mailed. If a timely motion for rehearing is filed by any party at interest, this order shall not become final and effective until such motion is overruled, or if such motion is granted, this order shall be subject to further action by the Commission. Pursuant to TEX. GOV'T. CODE §2001.146(e), the time allotted for Commission action on a motion for rehearing in this case prior to its being overruled by operation of law, is hereby extended until 90 days from the date the parties are notified of the order.

All requested Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law which are not expressly adopted herein are **DENIED**. All pending motions and request for relief not previously granted or granted herein are **DENIED**.

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(Signatures affixed by Rule 15 Inactive Well
Master Order dated December 9, 2014.)

API Number	District	ID Number	Lease Name	Well Number
169 00192	8A	61333	ROY, W. V.-MOBIL	3W
No approved W-3X on file				
169 00193	8A	61333	ROY, W. V.-MOBIL	4
No approved W-3X on file				
Must resolve Field Operations H-15 failure preventing 14(B)(2) approval				
169 00194	8A	61333	ROY, W. V.-MOBIL	5
No approved W-3X on file				
169 00455	8A	61328	REED, J. S. "B"	1
No approved W-3X on file				
Must resolve Field Operations H-15 failure preventing 14(B)(2) approval				
169 00460	8A	61327	REED "A"	2
No approved W-3X on file				
Must resolve Field Operations H-15 failure preventing 14(B)(2) approval				
169 00462	8A	61330	REED, J. S. "C"	2W
No approved W-3X on file				
169 00466	8A	61327	REED "A"	3
No approved W-3X on file				
Must resolve Field Operations H-15 failure preventing 14(B)(2) approval				
169 00467	8A	61328	REED, J. S. "B"	3
No approved W-3X on file				
169 00473	8A	61330	REED, J. S. "C"	4
No approved W-3X on file				
Must resolve Field Operations H-15 failure preventing 14(B)(2) approval				
169 00477	8A	61327	REED "A"	5
No approved W-3X on file				
169 00478	8A	61328	REED, J. S. "B"	5
No approved W-3X on file				
Must resolve Field Operations H-15 failure preventing 14(B)(2) approval				
169 00479	8A	61329	REED, J. S. "D"	5
No approved W-3X on file				
169 00482	8A	61328	REED, J. S. "B"	6
No approved W-3X on file				
169 00483	8A	61329	REED, J. S. "D"	6
No approved W-3X on file				
169 00491	8A	61328	REED, J. S. "B"	8
No approved W-3X on file				
169 01865	8A	61333	ROY, W. V.-MOBIL	1W
No approved W-3X on file				
169 01866	8A	61333	ROY, W. V.-MOBIL	2W
No approved W-3X on file				

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Exhibit A

API Number	District	ID Number	Lease Name	Well Number
285 32733	02	177891	BAKER-BARNES	2
Surface equipment must be removed (certify on Form W-3C)				
No approved W-3X on file				
285 33501	02	239466	JAMES RODEN GAS UNIT	2
Electricity must be disconnected (certify on Form W-3C)				
No approved W-3X on file				
481 32360	03	271182	TAYLOR	1R
Electricity must be disconnected (certify on Form W-3C)				
No approved W-3X on file				

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